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RESPONSE

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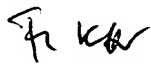
In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2009, applicant hereby elects the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I, on which are readable claims 19-23, 26-31, 33-34.

A retains his right to file divisional applications for the inventions of Groups II and III.

In addition, applicant hereby elects the species of Fig. 3, identified by the Examiner as species A. Claims 19-23, 25-31 and 34 are readable on the elected species. It is noted that the Examiner has indicated that claim 1 appears to be generic.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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